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Application Number	10/828,701
Filing Date	April 21, 2004
First Named Inventor	Kazuro OKUZAWA, et al.
Examiner Name	Phylesha L. Dabney
Art Unit	2615
Attorney Docket No.	MAT-8173US1

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES	
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity

Fee (\$) Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)** **Multiple Dependent Claims**

- 20 or HP = _____ x \$50. = 0 Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

\$360. \$0.

Indep. Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)**

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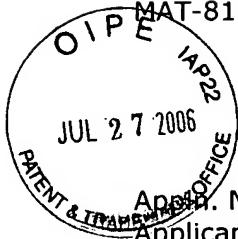
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 10/828,701
Applicants: Kazuro OKUZAWA, et al.
Filed: April 21, 2004
Title: ELECTRO-ACOUSTIC TRANSDUCER AND
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME
T.C./A.U.: 2615
Examiner: Phylesha Larvinia Dabney
Confirmation No.: 5384
Docket No.: MAT-8173US1

SUPPLEMENTAL
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The following References are not in the English language:

- 1) WO 98/34992
- 2) JP 54-046032

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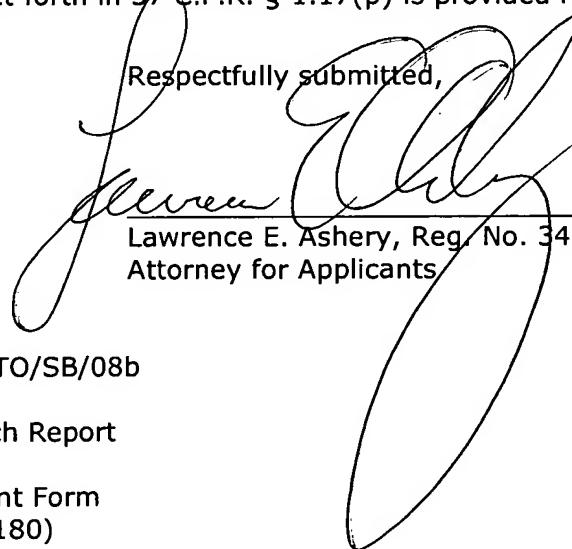
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Respectfully submitted,


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(#4) References
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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		EP 0 790 752 A	08/20/97	MATSUSHITA ELEC IND CO LTD		<input type="checkbox"/>
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